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**VIA FACSIMILE [(202) 637-3096] &
REGULAR MAIL**

Kedari Reddy
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 2
Office of Regional Counsel
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Re: *PRRI PRP Search - - The Givaudan Site at 125 Delawanna Avenue in Clifton,
Passaic County, New Jersey*

Dear Kedari:

This letter is to inquire of USEPA regarding the status of its investigation of the subject site and to request USEPA's assistance relating to an important aspect of our ongoing investigation of the site. We would appreciate your advising us in two specific regards:

1. We understand that USEPA was planning, late last year, to issue to Givaudan a CERCLA §104(e) Information Request pertaining specifically to (a) discharges from its site to Yanticaw Pond, the Third River, and/or the Passaic River, and/or (b) any ditches, pipelines, sewers, etc. that may have conveyed hazardous substances off-site via wastewater or stormwater flows.

Please advise us whether USEPA has issued such an Information Request to Givaudan and, if so, when such was issued and, if any response has been received, when we might obtain a copy thereof.

2. We believe that the City of Clifton has historical engineering drawings that would show important details of sewer piping from and/or in the vicinity of the Givaudan site to and/or in the vicinity of Yanticaw Pond, the Third River and/or the Passaic River. The last time we approached the City Engineer's office of the City of Clifton, we were met with resistance and non-cooperation in accessing historical drawings and documents.

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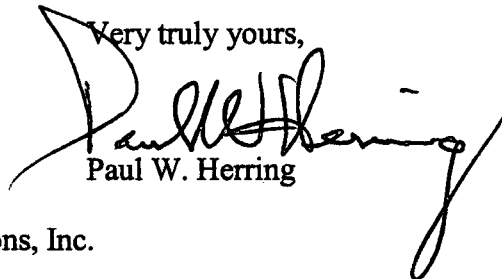
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We would appreciate USEPA's issuing a CERCLA §104(e) Information Request, or other appropriate request, to the City of Clifton specifically requesting all documents (including, without limitation, drawings) in its custody and/or control relating to the current and historical sewer lines in the vicinity of the Givaudan site, and including specifically, without limitation, any such drawings and documents relating to any such sewer lines in the vicinity of Yanticaw Pond and from the vicinity of Yanticaw Pond to the Third River.

We believe the correct address to which such an Information Request might be sent would be:

**Custodian of Records
City of Clifton
Department of Engineering
900 Clifton Avenue
Clifton, NJ 07103**

Thank you for your attention to this, and feel free to call me with any questions in the above regards.

Very truly yours,

Paul W. Herring

cc: Richard McNutt - Tierra Solutions, Inc.
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